

Rotary



NEWSLETTER

Rotary Club East Honolulu



President

Anne Komatsu

SPEAKER SCHEDULE

December 15, 2014

Laurie Ruben "Peace on Your Wing" a Musical Presentation

December 22, 2014

Dr. Terry Shintani
"The Peace Diet"
His New Book

December 29, 2014

Fellowship

Weekly Duties 12-15

Greeter: Lisa Foster
Pledge: Kawehi Akau
Inspiration: Oran Spotts
4 Way Test: Lisa Foster

Bulletin prepared by:
Oran Spotts & Donna Prather

Officers & Directors

President: Anne Komatsu

Secretary: Lori Ann Hamano - Treasurer: Jim Morris

Community Service: Lauren Okinishi - Membership: Jamie Apuna

International: Miki May - At Large: Bob Yee - Club Service: Lucky Cara

Sergeant At Arms: Tony Cara - Foundation: Rory Lee



Fasten your seat belts. Thomas Hall came to the Rotary Club of East Honolulu on Monday to talk about Angel Flight West (AFW) whose mission is "to arrange free non-emergency air

transportation in response to medical and other compelling human needs."

Hall showed a very moving video that featured some of the recipients of Angel Flight's services. What was perhaps most surprising to Rotarians is that AFW's flights are flown by pilots who volunteer their time and the aircraft they own or rent AND pay for fuel. The initial request for a mission for a patient requiring diagnosis or treatment must be made by a healthcare professional. In Hawai'i, flights are generally made to Oahu from the neighboring islands in the case of medical or financial considerations.

In a holiday season filled with good will and good deeds, Angel Flight West stands out as one of Santa's best helpers.

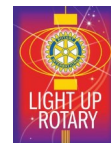
For flight requests and information 888 426-2643
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Laura Steelquist

D5000 Governor

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Coming Events

Merry Christmas



December 19, 2014

Palolo Elementary School
Shoe Box Dispersment

December 21, 2014

Christmas Party 5:00 PM
CoCo Isle Circle Club
House Hawaii Kai



Dear District 5000 Presidents and Leadership Team,
Reservations are now open to our highly anticipated
District 5000 Rotary Foundation Dinner
deadline for reservations is January 24, 2015.

OAHU COUNTRY CLUB

150 Country Club Road, Honolulu

JANUARY 31, 2015 5:30 PM—9:30 PM \$60.00 p/p

The Fellowship will be Amazing, the Program Spectacular and the Food Delicious!!!!

“Get out your boots and 10 gallon hats and giddy on up to the party!”

Attached are the results of our survey. The purpose of this confidential survey was to determine what is working and what is not working and can be improved upon. This is a useful tool for the leadership when there is substantial feedback however we got a mere 28% or 13 out of 46 members responding. For those of you that did take the time to complete the survey we are extremely grateful. For those of you who did not get to it yet, dig it out from under that pile of papers on your desk. We would love to hear from you as your input is important. This is confidential so please feel free to respond honestly and be generous with your comments. We appreciate all suggestions. Oh and if you feel the club is doing great feel free to say that too. See **page three** for the comments.

John Strandberg announced our next major fundraiser to be held on March 28th at the Hawaiian Prince Hotel. It will be called “Rotary Rocks for Scholarships”. There will be Valet parking with men on motorcycles greeting attendees. Microsoft will be presenting Guitar Hero, we will have a dance band, a dance floor with many silent auction items of great value. Food provided by the Hotel and the entire night for \$99.00 per person before February 15, 2015, after that it will be \$125.00, only 320 people will be admitted. There will also be tables especially decorated for corporate sponsorships. Needed are major donations for the Silent Auction items such as airline tickets, Hotel weekends, etc. If you know of anyone in these or other businesses please contact them for a donation. They will write it off on their annual taxes. Contact Oran Spotts for a donation letter that they will require.

Inspirational Moment by John Strandberg

A 24 year old boy seeing out from the train’s window shouted...

“Dad, look the trees are going behind!”

Dad smiled and a young couple sitting nearby, looked at the 24 year old’s childish behavior with pity, suddenly he again exclaimed...

“Dad, look the clouds are running with us!”

The couple couldn’t resist and said to the old man...

“Why don’t you take your son to a good doctor?”

The old man smiled and said...

“I did and we are just coming from the hospital, my son was blind from birth, he just got his eyes today.

Comments from membership satisfaction survey.

Out of town guests need more attention regarding greeting and food service

Comfort in sharing ideas with leaders: too busy or lack of time (experience)

Club President ring bell and open meeting

This (survey) is a great idea- need more emphasis on attendance.

Website should be updated monthly

Projects should be spread out. Limit one project to once a month.

Too many projects with member burnout on horizon.

Regarding service projects and activities: Need something in writing with dates and times – no knowledge of when most are happening if miss announcements at meetings. I'm not on the "in group" email list (There is that perception – sorry)

Involve more different members as greeters, flag, 4 way test. New people come and go – don't know if some are members?

My bad – haven't checked website, newsletter great to have – better calendar if upcoming service projects, parties would be good i.e. Christmas party date? People's calendar fill up fast!

I would like to see more member involvement with our service projects and other activities.

Spouse is also a Rotarian member.

Regarding sharing concerns with club leaders: But I think they are required to do too much and get burned out. They are volunteers. Make it easier for them to perform their duties by limiting the amount of work required by the District.

Meeting time may limit recruiting new members who find it difficult to get away at noon.

I can afford this (lunch) but the cost may discourage new members especially younger ones.

The speakers we've had recently have been good. Keep it up. I love learning new *things*.

But the website, the most recent one, is not easy to find. That's frustrating.

Regarding the website: But I understand it is a work in progress and appreciate the work Tony and Lucky are doing.

The one big thing I believe we should consider is focusing on quality service projects while at the same time re-evaluating the amount of time and effort consumed by the points and awards process. Let's spend our energy on service etc. Without all the post project paperwork for various chairs to complete. We are volunteers. Let's concentrate our energy on doing not reporting. I think we would attract more people that way.

Spouse wonders why I do it.

Will you please publish the results of the survey back to the membership?

Regarding participating in service projects and activities: I am starting to, but my involvement was very limited before.

More networking opportunities would be nice.

Get more members involved with club projects.